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Additional funds for Ghatapratna

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Finance Department,
Secretariat Annexe,
Bombay, 6th November, 1951.

From:

Shri P. V. R. Rao, I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Finance Department.

To:

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of Finance,
NEW DELHI.

Subject:- Assistance from the Government of India for
the Five Year Plan.

Sir,

I am directed to invite attention to the correspondence between the Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Bombay, and the Hon'ble Minister of Finance, Government of India, referred to in your letter No. F.9(3)-P/51, dated the 3rd September 1951, and to the letter from the Hon'ble the Finance Minister, Government of Bombay to the Hon'ble Finance Minister, Government of India, No. Nil, dated the 10th September 1951, and to state that it was agreed in the discussion with the Planning Commission that the major irrigation projects in the State viz. the Kakrapara, the Gangapur and the Ghataprabha schemes should be completed as early as possible within the five year period.

2. The total cost of the Gangapur scheme is estimated at Rs. 334 lakhs and the amount spent upto the end of 1950-51 is Rs. 100 lakhs. A provision of Rs. 28 lakhs only was made in the budget of 1951-52 as at that time it was necessary to limit the budget provision to the resources available from within the State. This money has practically all been already spent, though there are still five months in the working season available ^{be} for pushing on with the work at full speed. It is estimated that another Rs. 25 lakhs could be spent during the remaining five months ~~of the current~~ of the current year and the progress ~~if~~ ~~if~~ of work thus accelerated, if the necessary funds could be found.

3. The position with regard to the Ghataprabha scheme is somewhat similar. The total cost of the work is estimated at Rs. 545 lakhs; the amount spent upto the end of the year 1950-51 is Rs. 100 lakhs; the budget provision made during the current year which has practically

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all been exhausted is Rs. 28 lakhs and it will be possible to spend a further sum of Rs. 25 lakhs for accelerating the progress of this work has already commenced and any amount spent is likely to give some immediate return in the shape of an immediate increase in irrigation facilities. ✓

4. The position with regard to both these works is that in the absence of additional funds it may be necessary either to keep the staff idle at an unnecessarily increased cost or to disband the staff, which will make it extremely difficult for the working season. *works to be taken up at full speed again in the next*
I am accordingly to request that a sum of Rs. 50 lakhs may be immediately made available to the Government of Bombay as part of the Central assistance towards the Five Year Plan.

5. I am also to invite attention in this connection to the provision of Rs. 200 lakhs for the development of transport which has been made in the Five Year Plan. This money is required entirely by the State Road Transport Corporation to complete the consolidation of the programme which it has already undertaken for which purpose it requires a number of additional vehicles. The possibility of securing assistance for the purpose from the Canadian Government under the Colombo Aid Plan, is, as you are aware, being explored by the Government of India. But it would appear that a decision with regard to the Canadian aid is likely to take some time. Besides, even before the question of Canadian aid was taken up, the State Road Transport Corporation had placed orders for a considerable number of vehicles with manufacturers in the United Kingdom. As this is a firm commitment, the Corporation is in need of funds to make payments against delivery. It was hoped that the Corporation would be able to obtain the necessary finances from its own resources or from open market borrowing. Unfortunately, because of the Korean conflict earlier in the year the Corporation thought it prudent to stockpile spare parts and equipment to a larger extent than is justified under normal conditions. Attempts to raise funds from the open market have not proved successful. It has, therefore, become essential for the Corporation to look to Government for some immediate assistance to make payments on orders already placed. It is understood, however, that the Government of India has not yet advanced to any State funds for assisting nationalisation of State Transport and a decision as to the extent of such assistance is likely to take time. In the circumstances, I am to suggest, as an alternative, that the

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Government of India should give to the Government as assistance towards the Five Year Plan a sum of Rs. 79 ~~lacs~~ lakhs, which is equal to the amount the State Government will have incurred during the course of the current year on the Ghataprabha and Gangapur projects (expdt. ~~if~~ of the amount order for in Para 4 above) and on the Radhanagari Hydro Electric Project, another scheme included in the Five Year Plan and expected to be completed by 1953-54, so that the State Government may release an equivalent amount from its own resources to assist the State Road Transport Corporation.

6. A separate communication will be sent later with regard to the Kakrapara project.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/- P. V. R. Rao,

Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Finance Department.

Copy forwarded for information to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Bombay. It is expected that the Government of India will most probably agree to provide the necessary funds to the extent expenditure ^{is} actually incurred on the scheme in any particular year. In order that these works may be speeded up, it is requested that instructions should issue to the officers concerned to go ahead with work on the projects at as rapid as possible.

Sd/-
Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Finance Department.

Telegraphic instructions to issue.

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Phone message reply by the Superintending Engineer,
K.I.C., Dharwar, in reply to phone message from P.W.D.
Secretariat dated 5-11-1951.

" An additional allotment of Rs. 15,00,000/- can
be spent during the current year on the work of
"Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal" provided that intimation
regarding authorisation of additional grant is received
within a week."

No.G-4/1

Karnatak Irrigation Circle,
Dharwar, 7 Nov., 1951.

Copy forwarded with compliments to the Chief
Engineer to Government, Public Works Department, Bombay,
in confirmation.

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Superintending Engineer, K.I.C.

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on p 7 anti. Receipt of the
reports called for in para. 2
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Statement showing the items of work proposed to be carried out and the cost of each item.

<u>Item of work.</u>	<u>Expenditure in lacs of Rupees.</u>
<u>I. "A" Sub-Division.</u>	
1) Earthwork in miles 1 to 6- final bills	1.00
2) Masonry Works- final bills	0.05
3) Class III quarters	0.09
4) Office attached to Inspn.bungalow	0.02
5) Water tank at Ghataprabha	0.06
6) Store shed at Railway Station yard	0.06
7) Experimental tank	0.08
8) Road bridges 1 to 6	0.20
9) Inspection bungalow garden	0.04
10) Quarters for Medical Officer	0.06
11) Club building	0.06
12) Plantation	0.03
13) Shops	0.015
14) Nursery	0.02
15) Earthwork in mile No.9	1.50
16) Colony at Jagnur	0.15
Total for 'A' Sub-Division,	3.435 lacs.
<u>II. 'B' Sub-Division:</u>	
1) Jagnur Aqueduct	3.00
2) Earthwork in Miles 7 & 8 (final bills)	0.55
3) -do- 11 to 15 (-do-)	0.57
4) Culverts in miles 7 & 8 (-do-)	0.02
5) Earthwork in mile No.10	2.50
6) Earthwork in mile No.11	1.00
7) Culvert No.10 in mile No.11	0.25
8) Earthwork in mile No.12	1.00
9) Culvert No.11 in mile No.12	0.25
10) Plantation.	0.04
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<u>Item of work.</u>		<u>Expenditure in lacs of Rupees.</u>
('B' Sub-Division continued)		B.F. 9.18
11) Earthwork in mile No.13		2.00
12) Culvert No.12 in mile No.13		0.25
Total for 'B' Sub-Divn.		11.43
III. <u>'C' Sub-Division</u>		
1) Culvert No.13 in mile No.14		0.25
2) Earthwork in mile No.14		0.25
3) -do- 15		1.00
4) Culvert No.14 in mile No.15		0.25
5) Earthwork in mile No.16		0.30
6) -do- 17		0.60
7) -do- 18		0.30
8) -do- 19		0.40
9) -do- 20		0.25
10) -do- 21		0.40
11) -do- 22		0.30
12) -do- 23		0.25
13) -do- 24		2.00
14) Final bills - miles 17 to 32		2.00
15) S.D.O's quarters at Kankanwadi		0.10
16) Water supply and Sanitation		0.05
17) Arboriculture		0.03
18) Nalla diversion		0.03
19) Culvert Nos. 14 to 20		0.75
Total for 'C' Sub-Dn:		9.51
IV. <u>'D' Sub-Division:</u>		
1) Earthwork in mile No.25		1.00
2) -do- 26		0.25
3) -do- 27		1.00
4) -do- 28		0.20
5) -do- 30		0.50
6) -do- 31		0.30
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<u>Item of work</u>		<u>Expenditure in lacs of Rupees.</u>
('D' Sub-Dn.continued)	B.P.	3.25
7) Earthwork in mile No.32 (upto junction of North Branch)		1.00
8) Final bills		0.60
9) Culverts 21 to 25		0.75
Total for 'D' Sub-Dn:		5.60
V. <u>'D.S.& D' Sub-Division</u>		
1) Existing distributaries		0.15
2) Earthwork for distributaries in miles 8 to 17...		1.25
3) Distributary survey		0.05
Total for 'D.S.& D.' Sub-Dn:		1.45
VI. <u>Mechanical Sub-Division:</u>		
1) Electrification of the Colony		0.25
2) -do+ Maintenance		0.08
3) Cooling tank		0.07
4) Buildings for gantry		0.07
5) Repairs to Dehu Road trucks		0.20
Total for 'M' Sub-Division:		0.67
VII. <u>Divisional Office.</u>		
1) Tools and plant		1.00
2) Police		0.10
3) Land Acquisition		3.59
4) Sanitation		0.05
Total for Divisional office:		4.74
<u>Recapitulation:</u>		
'A' Sub-Division	3.435	
'B' Sub-Division	11.430	
'C' Sub-Division	9.510	
'D' Sub-Division	5.600	
D.S.& D.Sub-Dn.	1.450	
'Mech. Sub-Division	0.670	
Divisional office	4.740	
	36.835	
Amount already spent	15.850	
	52.685	
Deduct allotment recd...	27.685	
Balance...	25.000	
BR/16-11.		Supdtg. Engineer, Karnatak Irrign. Circle.

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Office of the Superintending Engineer,
Karnatak Irrigation Circle,
Dharwar, 17 Novr.1951.

To

The Chief Engineer to the
Government of Bombay,
Public Works Department,
Bombay-1.

Subject:- Additional funds for Ghataprabha
Left Bank Canal Division.

Reference: Government Endorsement, P.W.D., No.
CMN 1051 J, dated 8-11-1951.

2. Due to shortage of funds and the strict orders of Government not to incur excess on allotments, and as permission to anticipate allotment was not given, the progress on Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal work in the Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal Division had to be drastically curtailed. The "D" sub-Division, which was a construction Sub-Division, ~~xxxxxx~~ had to completely close down all construction work and was converted into a purely survey Sub-Division, vide Government Letter, P.W.D. No. TCS/2751-F dated 16-6-1951. All construction work in "C" Sub-Division was also entirely stopped and the staff diverted to survey work. In "B" Sub-Division, all earthwork except on the approach of Jagnur Aqueduct was stopped and only some masonry work was in progress. A uniform monthly expenditure of about Rs. 2 lacs limited to only the head reaches of the canal was planned and the total expenditure to end of October was Rs.15.85 lacs against the total allotment of Rs.27.68 lacs.

3. Government in the telegram dated 8-11-1951 has now authorised expenditure upto an additional amount of Rs. 25 lacs. As practically all the piece-workers and skilled local waddar labour have left the work and gone to Tungabhadra Canal work and Goa Manganese mines, it will take some time to collect the piece-workers and the labour again. From the experience of the last two years, it is seen that the labour strength falls down very considerably during the months of November and December due to harvesting. However, in spite of these handicaps an earnest and intensive effort will be made to put the work into gear again and do as much work as possible during the current financial year.

4. This intensive effort requires entire suspension of survey work and regrouping of the sub-Divisions for constructional purposes. After careful consideration of all aspects I find that the following arrangement is necessary to speed up work:-

<u>Sub-Division</u>	<u>Existing jurisdiction.</u>	<u>Proposed jurisdiction.</u>	<u>H.Q.(no change)</u>
A	Miles 1 to 6	Miles 1 to 9 upto Jagnur Nalla.	Dhupdal
B	" 7 to 16	Mile 9 (from Jagnur Nalla) to mile 13, including Jagnur Aqueduct.	Bagewadi
C	" 17 to 32	Mile 14 to 24	Kankanwad
D	" 33 to 44	Ml.25 to Ml.32	Raibag

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This will allow better concentration of effort and better supervision of work and does not involve any additional cost to Government. I have, therefore, asked the Executive Engineer to give effect to these proposals immediately in anticipation of Government approval, which may please be given.

5. As stated above an intensive effort will be made despite handicaps, to spend the additional allotment of Rs. 25 lacs authorised by Government during the current year, by reopening the works which had been stopped so long for want of allotment and by re-collecting as far as possible the works staff which was disbanded. It is difficult to say immediately what actual additional amount can be spent this year without knowing how exactly the labour reacts to this sudden resumption of work and to the slightly reduced rates of the open schedule now proposed. I therefore propose to report to Government the actual additional allotment required, after the middle of January 1952. If immediate report is necessary, certain reduction in authorisation will have to be proposed to make some allowance for the unknown factor.

6. The items of work proposed to be carried out and the cost of each item are given in the accompanying statement.

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Encl: 1 statement.

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Superintending Engineer, K.I.C.

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Copy of Government of India Ministry of Finance letter
No. F 9(3)-P/51, dated 6th December 1951.

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Subject:- Assistance from the Government of India, for
the Five Year Plan.

I am directed to invite a reference to your letter No. 5138/
33-III_Confl., dated the 6th November, 1951, wherein the Bombay
Government have requested that assistance may be granted to them
in 1951-52, as follows:-

1. Gangapur Irrigation Scheme	Rs. 25 lakhs
2. Ghataprabha Irrigation Scheme	Rs. 25 "
3. State Road Transport Corpn.	Rs. 79 "
	Rs. 129 lakhs

2. I am to express regret that it will not be possible for the
Government of India to provide assistance for the State Road Transport
Corporation as suggested.

3. The Government of India are, however, prepared to grant short-term
loans to the Bombay Government in respect of the two irrigation schemes,
for the actual expenditure on these two projects in 1951-52 subject
to a ceiling of Rs. 80 lakhs in all.

4. The Government of India propose to authorise payment of the loan
towards the end of the current financial year. For this purpose
a statement of actual expenditure incurred during the current year may
please be furnished to the Government of India at the appropriate time
before the end of the current financial year for the issue of the necessary
sanction. As regards the terms of the loan, this would carry interest
not less than 3½%. The final figure would be intimated at the time the
loan is advanced. The interest would be payable annually and the
principal of the loan would be repayable in ten annual instalments
commencing from 1954.

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No. 5138/33-III.

Finance Department,
Bombay Castle, 17th Dec., 1951.

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Forwarded to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department,
Bombay, in continuation of Government letter, Finance Department, No.
5138/33-III dated 6th November 1951 with a request to furnish very

urgently.

urgently to this Department the necessary information called
for by the Government of India in paragraph 4 of its letter under
reference.

By order of the Governor of Bombay,

Sd/-
Deputy Secretary to the Government of Bombay,
Finance Department.

Action to taken

Copy of this & of F.D. letter of 6/11/51 to be submitted
to H.M. (Separately).

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SM: